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The total number of persons admitted since 1883, when patients first began to be received (though the notification of leprosy was first made compulsory, and the detention of lepers provided for by law only toward the end of 1890), is 78. Distributed under nationalities, the account stands as follows: Natives of New South Wales, 21, of whom 15 have died and 1 was released; of Queensland, 1, deceased; of England, 4, of whom 2 have died; of Ireland, 2, deceased; of New Zealand, 1, deceased; of Fiji, 1, deceased; of Germany, 2, of whom 1 has died; of Belgium, 1, deceased; of the United States of America, 1; and all of these were whites, of European descent. There were also 37 natives of China, of whom 12 have died and 21 have been returned to their own country; of India, 2 deceased; of the West Indies, 1, discharged in 1885; of Java, 1; of Tanna (New Hebrides), 1, deceased; of New Caledonia, 1, deceased; of South Sea Islands, 1; and all of these were colored people.

Every opportunity has been given to members of the medical profession to visit the lazaret for the purpose of seeing such patients as were formerly under their care and for study of the disease. The needs of the patients have been carefully supplied by experienced attendants and nurses under the direct supervision of the medical superintendent.

#### BRAZIL.

##### *Reports from Bahia—Mortuary statistics—Smallpox.*

Vice-Consul Rowe reports, February 22 and 29, as follows: During the week ended February 20, 1904, 67 bodies were interred in the Bahia cemeteries.

Causes of death: Aortic dilatation 1, alcoholism 1, asphyxia 1, bronchitis 1, cerebral congestion 1, death by violence 1, diarrhea and enteritis 6, fibroma 2, gangrene 1, intestinal parasites 2, malarial fevers 3, meningitis 1, nephritis 1, organic diseases of heart 4, pulmonary tuberculosis 6, rheumatism 1, smallpox 1, senile debility 2, stillborn 7, tetanus 2, syphilis 1, tetanus neonatorum 2, other causes 19.

Week ended February 27, 1904, 75 bodies.

Causes of death: Alcoholism 1, apoplexy 1, arterio-sclerosis 1, asthma 1, bronchitis 1, cerebral congestion 2, cirrhosis of liver 1, diarrhea and enteritis 6, dysentery 1, epilepsy 1, gangrene 2, intestinal parasites 1, malarial fever 1, meningitis 1, nephritis 1, organic diseases of heart 7, peritonitis 1, puerperal eclampsia 1, pneumonia 4, pulmonary tuberculosis 6, rachitis 1, rheumatism 1, senile debility 2, stillborn 3, syphilis 2, tetanus 1, tetanus neonatorum 3, enteric fever 1, umbilical hemorrhage 4, whooping cough 1, other causes 15.

##### *Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Plague, smallpox, and yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, February 15, as follows: During the week ended February 13 I inspected and issued bills of health to the following vessels leaving this port:

The steamship *Stefania*, Austro-Hungarian, for New Orleans, La., with cargo of coffee only, no passengers, and no change of personnel at this port, sailing for New Orleans via Victoria, Brazil, on February 9. As this ship left here for another Brazilian port, she was disinfected before leaving by the health authorities of the port.